

SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Order of Worship for Sunday, September 12, 2021

8:30 am Live Stream Service

11:30 am Parking Lot Service Broadcast on 93.3 FM

GATHERING

INVOCATION In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

GATHERING HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

HYMN #522

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise;
Father all-glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword; our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless, and give thy Word success,
And let thy righteousness on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art, now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son Jesus to teach and guide us, but we rejected Him.

You proved Your love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)

Lord Jesus, “You are the Messiah.” (Mark 8:29)

Open our hearts and set our minds on divine things, not human things that we may follow You.

Holy Spirit, tame our tongues, steer our lives, that we might live to Your glory.

Teach us to take up our cross and follow Jesus.

(Let us pause for a moment of personal reflection and self-examination)

Almighty God, You alone are righteous and full of compassion. In You “we live and move and have our being.” (Acts 17:28) Forgive us for we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, through what we have done and left undone. Through faith in Jesus Christ, You have given us the promise of eternal life. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to those who do truly repent and believe in Jesus Christ, the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, we thank you for Your Son Jesus Christ who chose the path of suffering and death for our sake. Through Your Holy Spirit, help us to deny ourselves take up our cross and follow You. Teach us to come to You with the humble hearts that we may follow what You have commanded, live according to Your will, that others might be drawn to You; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

SECOND READING

James 3:1-12

(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, “Thanks be to God.”)

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30 only)

“Great Are You Lord”

Dr. Frank Watkins & Heidi Joosten

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

HYMN P. 83

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the Words of eternal life! Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-38

*(Before the Gospel is announced, the congregation says, “Glory to you, O Lord!”)
(After the Gospel is concluded, the congregation says, “Praise to you, O Christ!”)*

SERMON

“What’d I Miss?”

Pastor David Irgens

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lift High the Cross”

HYMN #377

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

SENDING

SENDING HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

BLUE HYMN #771

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

BENEDICTION/DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Serving today: Pastor Dan Doran, Pastor David Irgens, Pianist Emma Campbell

In-person Worship Wednesday 6:15 PM, Saturday 5:00 PM

In-person & Livestream Worship: Sun 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Parking Lot Worship Sunday 11:30 AM